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ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT July 2005

Subarea Health Planning Councils (SACs) Activities

Hawaii

The members discussed blood pressure screening currently being conducted at fire stations on a drop-in basis. The SAC decided to continue discussions on how to promote and support public awareness and population-based blood pressure screening at convenient locations. Members discussed SCR-195, the legislative resolution on addressing access to specialty care in rural Hawaii. Members highlighted access barriers they are aware of and some of the solutions that have been tried, including telemedicine. SAC input will continue to be collected as the report is developed.

Honolulu

Members discussed the Hawaii Outcomes Institute's Report for Honolulu County and noted that it would be helpful to separate some of the community combinations. It was also noted prevention activities for the five chronic conditions which are responsible for 70% of the deaths in Honolulu County – Lung Cancer, Breast Cancer, Diabetes, Coronary Heart Disease and Stroke, may be ignored by many of the elderly. Their idea of "quality of life" means continuing behaviors which pose risks to their health; ie, smoking, drinking, eating the "wrong" foods, etc. Members agreed that it is difficult to juggle individual vs society's rights in the area of a person's health status.

SHPDA and members thanked Debbie Morikawa for her eight years of service and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation, cake, lei, and candy.

Kauai

Legislative/other information related to actions which address KSAC priorities were reviewed: **Dental Health** (SB118 dental bill); **Obesity prevention** (SCR 7); **Kauai health status data** (Toward a Healthy Hawaii 2010: Kauai County); **senior transportation services** plan by counties (SCR 96); **shortage of medical specialists in rural areas** (SCR195) and **keiki booster seats** (SB247- did not pass

this year).

Members worked on a letter to Kauai DOT regarding the safety problems on one stretch of the Kuhio Highway.

SHPDA and members thanked Maxine Correa for her four years of service with a Certificate of Appreciation, lei, and candy.

Tri-Isle

Michael Hofmann, Executive Director of the Hawaii Outcomes Institute, presented Maui County data from the recent report. He discussed the sampling process, how the communities were grouped and the ranking of communities relative to each other across different health measures. This allowed the members to see how Maui, Lanai and Molokai compare to other communities across the State on a variety of health indicators. Dr. David Sakamoto described SCR-195 to improve access to specialty care on the neighbor islands. As the report is developed, the SAC will provide input on the issues relating to problems accessing specialty care and recommendations to improve the situation.

West Oahu SAC and Windward Oahu SAC

Dave Randall of the Department of Education, Coordinated School Health Program, provided an update on school health activities and the progress of the CSHP. The August meeting will be examining how to integrate other organizational involvement in school health, and the SAC is looking forward to determining if they can play a role.

Dr. Michael Hofmann presented more refined Oahu data from the Hawaii Outcomes Institute report, "Towards a Healthy Hawaii 2010: Checking the Health of Honolulu County." There was a lively discussion about the data and what information SAC members would like to review to focus their efforts on the highest priority health needs.

Research and Statistics:

The Certificate of Need Application Summaries and Decisions Files, Monthly SHPDA Update Reports and SHPDA Calendar web pages were updated.

The March, April and May SHPDA website hits statistics are not available yet.

The response rate for the 2004 SHPDA Utilization Survey was at 65% as of June 28, 2005. Follow-up notices will be implemented.

Certificate of Need Applications

#03-28 Wahiawa Hospital Association for the relocation of Wahiawa General Hospital

services (excluding SNF) from 128 Lehua Street, Wahiawa, to Waipio (Tax Map Key Nos. (1)9-4-006-001 and (1)9-4-006-002), at a capital cost of \$44,756,600. Withdrawn pending written confirmation from applicant.

- #05-09 Angels Plus Home Health Agency Inc. for the establishment of home health services on Oahu at a capital cost of \$20,150. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions/information from applicant.
- #05-10A Hale Hoola Hamakua for the establishment of emergency room services and the change of two (2) medical/ surgical and two (2) SNF/ICF beds to four (4) Acute/SNF beds at a capital cost of \$1,370,000. Public meeting 6/28/05.
- #05-11A Wahiawa General Hospital for the change of 10 psychiatric beds to 10 SNF/ICF beds at no capital cost. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions/information from applicant.
- #05-12A Kahuku Hospital for the conversion of 12 SNF beds to 12 SNF/ICF beds at no capital cost. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions/information from applicant.
- #05-13 Hilo Medical Center for the establishment of a 95-bed Veterans Home SNF/ICF facility at 1190 Waianuenue Avenue, Hilo, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$32,344,000. Scheduled for July reviews.
- #05-14A Straub Clinic & Hospital for the establishment of additional X-ray services at 1010 S. King Street, Honolulu at a capital cost of \$184,400. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions/information from applicant.
- #05-15A Queen's Medical Center for the addition of x-ray, bone density screening and mammography services at its Hawaii Kai Clinic at a capital cost of \$547,000. Reviewing for completeness.